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For : Crystal Comprising Human Immunodeficiency Virus

Enveloped Glycoprotein gp120, Compounds Inhibiting CD4-gp120 Interaction, Compounds Inhibiting Chemokine Receptor-gp120 Interaction,

Mimics of CD4 and gp120 Variants

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Sir:

COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 20, 2005 RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PETITION FOR A FOUR-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Communication is submitted in response to the September 20, 2005 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and with the above-identified connection Office in Trademark application. A response to the September 20, 2005 Office Action was due October 20, 2005. Applicant hereby petitions for a fourmonth extension of time to respond. The fee for a four-month extension of time is SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY FIVE DOLLARS (\$795.00) for a small entity, and a check for this amount is enclosed. Applicant has previously established small entity status. With a four-month extension of time a response was due February 20, 2006. However, since February 20, 2006 falls on a Federal

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Holiday, a response filed on the next business day, i.e.

Tuesday, February 21, 2006, is considered timely under 37 C.F.R.

§1.7. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.